12. (Twice Amended) The method of claim 11, wherein the nucleoside, nucleotide or amino acid is protected by a photosensitive protecting group and said energy source includes light.

An ordered method for forming a plurality of different polypeptides or nucleic acids occupying known locations on a substrate by sequential addition of nucleosides, nucleotides or amino acids to said substrate, comprising:

- (a) providing a substrate having a surface with a localized area occupied by a protected nucleoside, nucleotide or amino acid;
- (b) deprotecting the protected nucleoside, nucleotide or amino acid in a fraction of the localized area to produce a deprotected nucleoside, nucleotide or amino acid;
- (c) reacting the deprotected nucleoside, nucleotide or amino acid with a protected nucleoside, nucleotide or amino acid, whereby the protected nucleoside, nucleotide or amino acid attaches to the deprotected nucleoside, nucleotide or amino acid to produce a protected nucleic acid or polypeptide; and
- (d) repeating (b) and (c) at least once wherein the fraction in step (b) is a fraction of a fraction in a previous deprotecting step (b) to produce an array of different nucleic acids or polypeptides occupying different fractions at known locations within the localized area.
 - 16. The method of claim 12, wherein the localized area is less than 0.001 cm2.

(Twice Amended) An ordered method for forming a plurality of different nucleic acids or polypeptides occupying known locations on a substrate by sequential addition of nucleosides, nucleotides or amino acids to said substrate, comprising:

- (a) providing a substrate having a surface with a localized area occupied by a protected nucleoside, nucleotide or amino acid;
- (b) deprotecting the protected nucleoside, nucleotide or amino acid in a fraction of the localized area to produce a deprotected nucleoside, nucleotide or amino acid;
- (c) immersing the surface of the substrate in a solution comprising a protected nucleoside, nucleotide or amino acid, whereby the protected nucleoside, nucleotide or amino acids

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